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By Judge Parish B. Ladd, Alameda,
California.

this head is "What constitutes the marriage relation?" Does it rest on the laws of nature? Is it a civil con-

After the Revolution of 1792, France passed laws recognizing only civil contract marriages, leaving the parties at liberty, thereafter, to go through the idle ceremony of a marriage by a priest.

Mr. Leckly, who probably has no superior, as a writer on political economy, seems to recognize, as a sound

Whatever may be said as to the matter the state should discourage, instead of encouraging, too many births. * * * * * In conclusion permit me to say, after a lifetime spent in the study and practice of law.

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BY THE WIND."

I always regarded Armstrong as poss-

at such times I am always sorry that I am a preacher and can't cuss. There would be just as much sense in saying "How would you like to eat a piece of stewed nigger?" I reckon we oughtn't to get mad at niggers in cases when they are just born

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